

Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Abernathy
Room 8B201
Copps
Washington, D.C. 20554
Martin
(202) 418-1000 phone

Chairman Michael K. Powell
Commissioner Kathleen Q.

Commissioner Michael J.

Commissioner Kevin J.

Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

We have purchased prepaid wireless phones for ourselves, my parents, and for my daughter on the birth of her first child. These are used for nothing but emergency calls. It is truly unfair to levy a tax on us when many other people use them for business, their sole telephone, or for just simple, daily conversation.

We purchase prepaid because we do not want the hassle of a monthly bill with charges for every little tax and fee that the state and local government can levy on wireless calls.

There must be plenty of other ways that the government can get extra money ... hey, I have an idea ... why not make the people that have more money than they could ever spend in their lives pay taxes instead of being able to hide under every tax shelter that we "working poor" don't come close to qualifying for!

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Stephen and Eleanor Fernandez
Box 82A; RD#4

CC: FCC Subcommittee Members